SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT REQUEST

Please complete and email to: vip@azdoa.gov

Section 1

Requesting Agency: Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections

Vendor: Excelsior Software, Inc.

Estimated Cost: \$30,000.00 + annual license renewal

Section 2

Brief description of materials or services: Electronic grade book for teacher use that includes attendance monitoring/reporting feature. Yearly maintenance.

Section 3

Briefly describe why this procurement is Sole Source and why there is only a single source available: Although there are many grade book programs available for teachers, this particular one will interface with our in-house database system. We are unable to utilize a web-based product due to the sensitive nature of our data and the high level of confidentiality involved. This program not only is compatible with our system, it also allows the state standards to be attached to the lesson plan page and grade book page, thus providing standards-based grading and reporting. The state standards can be chosen to coincide with our curriculum mapping and can be easily modified as needed. This program offers an import/export feature, administrator viewer, attendance manager, one-year support, free upgrades and includes training of all four schools. Progress of a single student, group of students or the entire school can be accessed in real time. A suite of customized reports are also available. The Pinnacle Grade Book is also flexible enough to manage our extremely transient population without losing data.

Duration of this Sole Source procurement: Five years

Briefly describe the efforts made to seek other sources: Personal contact was made to the technical divisions of eight of the most popularly used grade book programs. None of them were able to interface with our in-house database system. Those that were web-based were also contacted to see if they had a network version available. We were not successful in finding a compatible program.

Send comments to the following individual:

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State Procurement Website Posting Information

R2-7-E301 requires the State Procurement Administrator shall post the request on the State Procurement Office website and invite comments on the Sole Source request for five working days.